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6 **BEFORE THE PUBLIC DISCLOSURE COMMISSION**
7 **OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON**

8 IN RE COMPLIANCE
9 WITH RCW 42.17

10 WASHINGTON STATE DEMOCRATIC
11 CENTRAL COMMITTEE

Respondent.

STIPULATION AND ORDER ON
DISPOSITION OF SUSPENDED
PENALTY

12 This matter is presented to the Commission upon the stipulation of the parties,
13 Respondent, Washington State Democratic Central Committee, and the Public Disclosure
14 Commission staff.

15 **I. INTRODUCTION**

16 On June 25, 2003, the Thurston County Superior Court entered a judgment against
17 the Respondent in case number 03-2-01235-9. The judgment assessed a civil penalty in the
18 amount of \$250,000 for the Respondent's violations of chapter 42.17 RCW. A portion of the
19 penalty, \$100,000, was suspended upon the following condition and term:

20 IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the Commission shall have jurisdiction over the
21 suspended portion of the penalty during the period of Defendant's partial penalty
22 assessment suspension (through December 31, 2008), for purposes of enforcing the
23 terms of the suspension. **In the event that during the term of the suspension, the**
24 **Defendant commits apparent violations of chapter 42.17 RCW that result in**
25 **another referral to the Attorney General's Office, then the Commission may, at**
26 **its discretion, schedule a hearing to determine whether, and if so, to what**
degree to implement the suspended portion of this penalty. At the end of the
period of suspension, December 31, 2008, unless the Commission has requested an
extension and this Court has agreed that good cause for an extension exists, the
terms and conditions of the partial penalty assessment suspension shall be deemed
satisfied, the partial penalty assessment suspension shall be set aside, and the

1 jurisdiction of the Commission and the Court over this matter shall be terminated, all
2 without further order of the Court.


3 Emphasis added.


4 Based a Report of Investigation dated May 26, 2005, the parties have agreed to a
5 resolution of the violations outlined in that report.

6 **II. STIPULATION**

- 7 1. The Respondent and Staff agree that, in the event the Report of Investigation dated May 26,
8 2005 had been presented to the full Commission, it is likely the Commission would have
9 determined that a referral to the Attorney General's Office was appropriate.
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11 2. The Respondent and Staff agree that based on the conduct at issue in the Report of
12 Investigation dated May 26, 2005, the Commission would likely have scheduled a hearing
13 on the suspended portion of the Judgment in case number 03-2-1235-9 and imposed the full
14 amount of the suspended penalty.
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16 3. The Respondent and Staff therefore agree the condition in the judgment in Thurston
17 County case number 03-2-01235-9 has been met and that imposition and payment of the
18 full suspended portion of the penalty in the amount of \$100,000 from case number 03-2-
19 01235-9 is appropriate at this time.
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21 4. Respondent agrees to pay said amount as outlined in the Order below and waives any right
22 to challenge the obligation to pay that penalty.

23 DATED this 9th day of June, 2005.

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25 Vicki Rippie, Executive Director
26 Public Disclosure Commission


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III. ORDER

This matter having come before the full Public Disclosure Commission upon the Stipulation of the Respondent, Washington State Democratic Central Committee and the Staff of the Public Disclosure Commission, and the Commission having considered the matter and having heard from both parties, the Commission hereby directs the Executive Director to sign the following Commission order on their behalf:

1. That the previously suspended portion of the penalty entered in Thurston County Superior Court case number 03-2-01235-9 in the amount of \$100,000 shall be imposed against the Respondent.
2. The payment of this penalty shall be as follows taking into consideration the payment schedule the Respondent has agreed to in PDC case number 05-136: \$25,000 to be paid on or before December 31, 2007, \$25,000 to be paid on or before December 31, 2008, \$25,000 to be paid on or before December 31, 2009 and \$25,000 to be paid on or before December 31, 2010.

Dated: _____

Vicki Rippie, Executive Director
Public Disclosure Commission